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## JAPAN.

## YOKOHAMA—Typhoid Fever in Japan—Inspection of Vessels.

Surgeon Irwin reports, April 23 and 25, and May 2:

An epidemic of typhoid fever is reported at Tokyo, with 600 cases. The sanitary bureau reports 3,320 cases with 700 deaths in the Empire, exclusive of Formosa, from January 1 to date, 135 cases of dysentery with 36 deaths, and 13 cases of smallpox with 3 deaths. At Yokohama since January 1 there have been 33 cases of typhoid fever with 7 deaths; remaining under treatment, 15. The local press reports 2,900, 715 rats destroyed in the city of Yokohama during the year 1909.

Week ended April 23. Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels: Steamships *Amiral Fourichon* for San Francisco, *Aymeric* for Seattle, and *Chicago Maru* for Manila. These vessels carry a total of 193 in crews, 11 cabin passengers, and 12 steerage passengers. Week ended April 30. Bills of health issued to: Steamships *Kamarakura Maru* for Seattle, *Mongolia* for San Francisco, *Siberia* and *Nikko Maru* for Manila, *Aragonia* for New York, and *Strathlorne* for San Francisco. These vessels carried an aggregate of 839 in crews and 400 cabin and 81 steerage passengers. The steamships *Nikko Maru* and *Aragonia* were fumigated.

A case of smallpox was taken at Nagasaki from the steamship *Mongolia*, which sailed from Yokohama April 27, and a further case was taken from the vessel at Kobe. All the usual precautions were observed at both ports.

## KOBE—Inspection of Vessels—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, April 20:

Week ended April 16. Supplemental bills of health granted to 8 steamships. Members of crews inspected, 795; steerage passengers, 222. Members of crews bathed, 127; steerage passengers, 9. Pieces of baggage steamed, 321; bedding, 18. Manifests viséed for 52,836 pieces of freight amounting to 4,431 tons. One case of human hair and 4 cases of personal effects were disinfected.

Emigrants were inspected and passed as follows: Per steamship *Asia* for Honolulu, 8; for San Francisco, 1. The emigrants for Honolulu were vaccinated.

The official returns of infectious diseases show 1 case of smallpox in Kobe.

## MEXICO.

## Report from the Superior Board of Health of Mexico.

In compliance with articles 1 and 2 of the International Sanitary Convention held at Washington October 9-14, 1905, the president of the Superior Board of Health of Mexico reports, May 16, that no case of yellow fever and no death from the said disease were registered in the Mexican Republic during the week ended May 14, and that the prophylactic measures reported under date of September 28, 1908, continue to be carried out.

## COATZACOALCOS—Inspection and Fumigation of Vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Thompson reports, May 12:

Week ended May 11. Vessels inspected as follows: May 7, steamships *Croatia* for Norfolk via Mexican ports, and *Californian* for Delaware Breakwater; May 10, steamships *Nicaragua* for Port Arthur, Tex., and *Earnham* for New Orleans. The *Nicaragua* and *Earnham* were fumigated.